Under the first phase of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), six AIIMS-like institutions are being set up, one each in the backward States of Bihar (Patna), Chhattisgarh (Raipur), Madhya Pradesh (Bhopal), Orissa (Bhubaneshwar), Rajasthan (Jodhpur) and Uttaranchal (Rishikesh).

In addition, Cabinet has also approved the proposal in February, 2009 for setting up AIIMS-like institutions in the State of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal, in the second phase of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana.

The location of the AIIMS-like institution in Uttar Pradesh is yet to be finalized.

Low percentage of women doctors

2367. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that out of the total doctors posted in Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in our country, only 17.9 per cent are women;

(b) if so, the complete details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the exact reasons for such low percentage; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve the women percentage posted at PHCs in each State especially in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) The Primary Health Centres (PHCs) are established and maintained by states under the Minimum Needs Programme and the human resource deployed at these centres is recruited/posted/transferred by the respective State Governments. As such, gender based disaggregated data of the doctors posted by various states at their Primary Health Centres is not available.

However, as per Rural Health Statistics as on March, 2007 3109 functioning PHC have female doctors.

Under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) comprehensive rejuvenation of the public health delivery system has been undertaken. This *inter alia* includes rational posting of the health human resources at all PHCs in all the States including Andhra Pradesh.

Free medical facilities to BPL families

2368. SHRI ISHWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that BPL families are not in a position to bear the medical expenses particularly maternity in case of delivery due to surgery;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to take a decision in consultation with the State Governments to provide such medical facilities to BPL families free of cost; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) is a safe motherhood intervention, under the overall umbrella of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) with the objective of reducing maternal and neo-natal mortality by promoting institutional delivery among the poor pregnant women. It is being implemented by all the States and Union Territories. It is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme.

Government health facilities in various districts across the country provide emergency obstetric services free of cost. Where Government specialists are not available in the Government health institution to manage complications or for Caesarean Section, assistance up to Rs. 1500/- per delivery can be utilized by the health institution for hiring services of specialists from the private sector. If private specialists are not available, services of specialised and willing doctors working in other government set up can be availed of by paying an honorarium of Rs. 1500/-.

The Yojana, which focuses on the poor pregnant women also provides for cash assistance. In the Low Performing States (LPS) all pregnant women delivering in Government health centres like Sub-centre, PHC/CHC/FRU/General Ward of District and State hospitals or accredited private institutions are entitled to this cash assistance. In the High Performing States (HPS), BPL pregnant women, aged 19 years, and above up to 2 live births and all SC and ST women delivering in a Government or accredited private institutions as mentioned above, are also entitled to this benefit.

The scale of cash assistance for institutional delivery under JSY is as under:—

(In Rupees)

Category	Mother's package (Rural)	Mother's package (Urban)
LPS	1400.00	1000.00
HPS	700.00	600.00

Short fall in health sector

2369. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Economic Survey 2009 estimated that our country is short by 28000 health centres including sub centres, primary health centres and community health centres;

(b) whether it is also a fact that 34 per cent of the existing health infrastructure is in rented building and these health centres are facing poor maintenance and high absenteeism of manpower;

(c) if so, whether Government has analyzed the reasons for those shortfalls; and